“It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair.”

-Charles Dickens, *A Tale of Two Cities* (1859)

Dear Friends,

That famous first sentence of Dickens’ novel about revolutionary times is an apt description of our recently completed spring semester. From January through early March, our students, faculty, and staff did their typically wonderful work about which you can read in detail in this edition of the newsletter--expertly crafted, as usual, by our gifted program coordinator, Jessica Galvin. Their highest profile activities included: a national Intelligence Ethics Conference with a first-ever panel discussion among the FBI’s lead investigators of the Watergate affair; the 22nd Biennial Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics; a National Science Foundation Grant to recruit and train a Cyber corps; and a collaborative art exhibit produced by The Citadel Oral History Program and the Palmetto Luna Arts program.

Then in mid-March, the COVID-19 pandemic disrupted our normal routines as it did those of all other colleges across the land. It forced the cancellation of scheduled talks by nationally renowned historians at our annual leadership symposium, the indefinite postponement of on-campus performances of Neil Simon’s *Biloxi Blues* by New York’s South of Broadway Theater Company, and the cancellation of all nine study abroad programs (on four continents) that our faculty had organized for this summer. Most fundamentally, it forced us to convert nearly all of our courses from face-to-face to online mode of instruction with only one week’s advance notice and while students and faculty alike had to deal simultaneously with major changes in their personal lives and those of their families.

The resilience and resourcefulness with which our students and faculty met that challenge was not unlike the U.S. Navy’s recovery from the attack on its battleships at Pearl Harbor in December of 1941 to organize a smashing victory with its aircraft carriers at Midway six months later. On balance, the SHSS came out of the experience not diminished but, rather, enhanced by a much broader, faster, and creative embrace of new educational technology than would otherwise have been the case. One example that illustrates the general trend is the course on “Charleston, South Carolina, and National Elections” taught by Professors Joe Riley and Kerry Taylor. If you take a look at: https://www.citadel.edu/root/images/shss/website/rileycourse2020.pdf I think you’ll be impressed.
We had a similar experience with our ongoing drive to build a new Capers Hall. In December, the Charleston Board of Architectural Review (BAR) unexpectedly denied our petition totally to demolish the existing Capers in favor of a totally new one—and asked us instead to renovate the existing one as best we could. But at the subsequent mediation hearing in March, the mediators were so impressed by what our architects have designed and by the many new and exciting capabilities that only an entirely new structure can give to us and to the City of Charleston (e.g., American Flag Atrium, auditorium for the performing arts, digital media classroom, oral history archive, art gallery, cyber lab & range, legal studies classroom, SCIF, and national security classroom) that they ruled unanimously in our favor—as did the Charleston City Council. We are now scheduled to demolish the existing Capers less than one year from now and immediately thereafter begin constructing in its place the new one that will not only expand and enrich the educational experiences that we provide to our students but also make The Citadel an even more important leader within our community, our state, and our country.

As most of you know, I’m stepping down as Dean of the School of Humanities & Social Sciences on June 30. It has been a great privilege to serve in this position for the last twelve years. During that time, our extraordinarily talented, dedicated, and productive faculty, staff, students, alumni, and advisory board members have been a driving force behind The Citadel’s movement from being a good little southern college, to a widely recognized regional leader, and now an educational institution of rising national importance. They are among the best in the land.

And I’m very pleased to inform those of you who may not yet have heard that even more talent is on the way in the person of our new Dean: Brian Madison Jones. Brian earned a B.A. in History from Appalachian State University, a M.A. in History from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and a Ph.D. in History from Kansas State University. He is the author of *Abolishing the Taboo: Dwight D. Eisenhower and American Nuclear Doctrine, 1945-1961* and currently serves as Dean of the College of Arts and Letters at Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte. Brian is a dynamic young leader who has impressed all members of our community who have met him. He will assume his duties here on July 1. I ask that you give him all of the wonderful support that you have given me—and for which I shall be forever grateful.

Of all of the memorable sentences spoken by John F. Kennedy, my favorite is: “We love our country, not for what it was—though it has always been great—not for what it is—though of this we are deeply proud—but for what it someday can and, through the efforts of us all, someday will be.” Those words capture my feelings not only about our country but also about The Citadel and, especially, its School of Humanities & Social Sciences. Moments of generational transition contain heightened potential to spark new ideas that light the way to advance on to promising new frontiers. Under Brian’s leadership, I am confident that the SHISS will. Godspeed!

Fondest regards, Bo. (Winfred B. Moore, Jr., PhD; Colonel SCM).

An Image of the New Capers

“Look closely at the present you are constructing. It should look like the future you are dreaming.”

— Alice Walker
In February 2020, the Department of Intelligence and Security Studies hosted the “2020 Citadel Intelligence Ethics Conference: Legally Immoral Activity: Testing the Limits of Intelligence Collection.” This conference brought together scholars and practitioners from throughout the world to discuss ethical behavior as it relates to intelligence collection and analysis. There were two very prominent keynote addresses: On February 11, Mike German, a fellow at NYU’s Brennan Center for Justice, discussed his most recent book, *Disrupt, Discredit, and Divide: How the New FBI Damages Democracy*. On February 12, Dr. Melissa Graves hosted a panel of the five FBI Special Agents who investigated the Watergate break-in, which led to the resignation of President Richard Nixon. The panel featured five former FBI agents who spearheaded the infamous investigation from 1972-1974: SA Angelo Lano, lead case agent, along with SAs Daniel Mahan, Paul Magallanes, John Mindermann, and John Clynick. The agents had never before come together to share collectively their stories with the public, and several of the agents had never spoken publicly about their time working the case. The event also served as a reunion for the agents, as they had not gathered together since the investigation ended in 1974 with Nixon’s resignation.

In hosting the panel, The Citadel served as the setting for a historically important occasion. Over the course of two hours, the agents revealed a facet of the Watergate investigation that had never before been told. Their stories complicated the narrative of the FBI’s investigation into the Watergate break-in. They revealed fascinating stories about their interviews with key White House personnel such as Counsel to the President John Dean, their work retrieving evidence under difficult and unwieldy circumstances, and the conflicted emotions they feel to this day for working under the supervision of FBI leaker, Associate Director Mark Felt, popularly known as “Deep Throat.” Felt had stepped into the position of Associate Director after the death of former FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover’s death six weeks prior. The agents who presented in the Citadel’s panel recalled encounters with then-FBI Acting Director Pat Gray, a longtime acquaintance of Richard Nixon who actively worked to direct the FBI’s investigation in Nixon’s favor, to the point of destroying Watergate evidence procured from CIA operative and Watergate burglary mastermind E. Howard Hunt’s safe. The agents’ stories revealed the tension inherent in the agents’ investigation of the case amid great strangleholds from FBI leadership.
Two members of the Intelligence and Security Studies faculty had books accepted for publication in the past year. Dr. Melissa Graves’ Nixon’s FBI: Hoover, Watergate, and a Bureau in Crisis will be published by Lynne Rienner Publishers in September 2020 and Dr. Muhammad Fraser-Rahim’s America’s Other Muslims: Imam W.D. Mohammed, Islamic Reform, and the Making of American Islam was released in January 2020 by Lexington Books. Both make major contributions to scholarship in these important areas.

The Citadel has achieved a distinction normally reserved for large research universities—it will serve as the academic home for a prestigious academic journal, the International Journal of Intelligence and Counterintelligence. Thanks to the efforts of Dr. Jan Goldman, editor of the journal and faculty member in Intelligence and Security Studies, The Citadel will serve as a hub for research into matters involving intelligence and security. This is a great distinction and demonstrates the impact the college has on this important and emerging discipline.

In the spring 2020 semester, Drs. Melissa Graves and Muhammad Fraser-Rahim led a research effort with graduate students in open source intelligence that was requested by the US Department of State. Specifically, they examined Russia’s efforts to export right-wing violent ethno-nationalism throughout Eastern Europe. Although the students did not have an opportunity to brief policymakers in Washington personally as originally planned, they did gain valuable experience in applying what they had learned in the classroom to real-world challenges. Thanks to the efforts of Drs. Fraser-Rahim and Graves and our talented students, this will be an ongoing collaboration between the Department of Intelligence and Security Studies and the State Department.

Thanks to the generosity of MAJ Don Sweany, USA, The Citadel now possesses 3500 volumes of intelligence-related material from his personal collection; this material was donated to the Daniel Library and now resides as part of the Intelligence and Security Studies collection. Of particular note, much of his material consists of government documents obtained through Freedom of Information Act requests. To date, major universities have requested this material, which is invaluable in conducting open-source research.

From top to bottom: Mike German at the 2020 Citadel Intelligence Ethics Conference and America’s Other Muslims: Imam W.D. Mohammed, Islamic Reform, and the Making of American Islam by Dr. Fraser-Rahim.
SSGT Mark Vowels, USMC, is the 2020 recipient of the Leidos Courage Award, which is presented to “an upperclassman in the college’s Intelligence and Security Studies (INTL) department who demonstrates an act of courage, exhibits The Citadel’s core values, embodies the values and ethical character of a principled leader, exemplifies service before self in actions and deeds, and serves as a role model in his or her academic and personal endeavors.” Prior to coming to The Citadel, SSGT Vowels served as an active duty Marine Combat Logistics Battalion Radio Supervisor, responsible for overseeing the activities of 35 enlisted Marines. According to Dr. Carl Jensen, department head of INTL, “In my many years of teaching, I have never had a student as dedicated and skilled as Mark. Not only is he most deserving of this prestigious award, he will go on to do great things for our country. We are blessed to have students of his caliber here at The Citadel.” Upon graduation, SSGT Vowels accepted a commission as an 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps.

The Citadel is one of only a select few universities in the United States to receive a National Science Foundation grant to educate exceptional students for future employment in cybersecurity positions with the US government. Two of the four Citadel students selected for these prestigious scholarships are Intelligence and Security Studies majors. Ashley Ruiz is a double major in both Political Science and Intelligence and Security Studies. She served as the editor of the Gold Star Journal in 2019-2020 and is a Citadel Distinguished Scholar. Likewise, Phillip Quinn is also a double major with Political Science and Intelligence and Security Studies. He was also chosen as the 2019 MVP on The Citadel’s tennis team. Both students, who will have a two-year obligation to serve in a cybersecurity capacity with the US government, will receive the following benefits:

- Full tuition paid for junior and senior years;
- $25,000 per year stipend for room and board;
- $6000 per year stipend for books, materials, and travel to Washington, DC for mentorship and networking conferences.

From top to bottom: recipient of the 2020 Leidos Courage Award, SSGT Mark Vowels (USMC); recipient of a Baker Veterans Fellowship, Ashley Towers (USA, Intelligence & Security Studies); and Brian Allen (USMC, Intelligence & Security Studies) receives a Baker Veteran Fellowship.
Dr. Terry Mays of the Department of Political Science received one of three 2019-2020 Community-Engaged Faculty and Staff awards presented by the Office of Service Learning and Civic Engagement at The Citadel.

The COL Myron C. Harrington Award was presented by Caroline Thibault of the World Affairs Council of Charleston (WACC) to Cadet Adam Niehoff. This award is given annually by the WACC to the top graduating student in International Affairs in The Citadel Political Science Department. Cadet Niehoff graduated in May and was commissioned as second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps.

The Algernon Sydney Sullivan Awards was presented to Cadet Olivia Jones, an Honors Program student, majoring in Political Science with a concentration in Military Affairs.

The 21st Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics was held on March 5th and 6th. The biennial conference has been held at The Citadel since 1978 and is the largest forum for the presentation and discussion of scholarly research on the contemporary politics of a specific region in the country. This year there were over 40 papers and 60 participants. Co-Directors for the Symposium were Drs. Scott Buchanan and DuBose Kapeluck, professors in the Department of Political Science. Papers ranged a great deal in their focus, from “The Political Implications of Southern Regional Identification in Kentucky, Missouri, and West Virginia” to “The Changing Senior Population in Florida: The Real Base of the Trump Coalition”.

From top to bottom: The 21st Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics, Cadet Adam Niehoff receives the COL Myron C. Harrington Award, 2020 Joseph P. Riley, Jr. Award recipient Sébastien Offredo, and Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award recipient Cadet Olivia Jones.
**Ambassador of Denmark to the United States visits The Citadel**

On February 28, 2020, the Department of Political Science hosted Her Excellency Lone Dencker Wisborg, Ambassador of Denmark to the United States, during her brief visit to Charleston, SC. Ambassador Lone Dencker Wisborg traveled to Charleston in anticipation of the South Carolina Democratic Party primary for the 2020 presidential elections held on February 29, 2020. In addition to attending a number of local town hall meetings, the Ambassador of Denmark met with Dr. Jack Porter to discuss the Democratic Party primaries in general and more specifically the critical role that South Carolina plays in the overall presidential nominee selection process.

On February 13-16, 2020, a delegation of six Citadel cadets and Faculty Advisor Dr. Jack Porter traveled to Washington, DC to participate in the 35th Annual Model NATO Conference. Joining students from 23 other colleges and universities (from six countries), the cadets represented NATO ally Hungary in the four-day diplomatic simulation. Preparation for the conference began in the fall 2019 semester and involved intensive research on both the security and defense policies of Hungary as well as the current and future concerns, strategies, and objectives of the North Atlantic Alliance.

**Model NATO 2020**

The annual Model NATO conference simulates a biannual NATO ministerial meeting during which students/cadets engage in extensive diplomatic negotiations covering a wide range of military, defense, and security issues. With an emphasis on cooperation, mutual security, and the development of a consensual Alliance Communiqué, cadets represented Hungary on six committees and worked tirelessly to advance the country’s national interests within the cooperative framework of the world’s preeminent defensive alliance. In addition to three days of negotiations and discussions, cadets also visited the Hungarian Embassy and received a detailed two-hour briefing on Hungarian defense and security policies. The opportunity to represent Hungary in the now 29-member alliance was a particularly challenging and meaningful learning experience for the six cadets given the pivotal position that Hungary plays as a bridge between western Europe, eastern Europe, and the countries of the former Soviet Union (FSU), including the Russian Federation.

From top to bottom: Her Excellency Lone Dencker Wisborg, Ambassador of Denmark visits the Citadel, and the 2020 Model NATO conference.
In Spring 2020, the Criminal Justice Society had a lot of success in providing opportunities for career development in the field of Criminal Justice and beyond. The members of the Society were able to hear career advice and receive job opportunities from a range of high-ranking members of the Criminal Justice field, such as Chief of Police Cornett and Detective Forsythe from Isle of Palms Police Department. The Criminal Justice Society’s highlights also included working through an active hostage situation with Greenville Police Department and discussions for partnering with numerous other agencies including the FBI, Secret Service, and Charleston PD for the coming years. Led by Hunter Mills, Nicholas Rizzo, Jason Mathewes, and Sean Cherney, and advised by Dr. Daren Fisher, the Criminal Justice Society looks forward to providing many more career opportunities for The Citadel community and welcomes all who are interested in joining.

Dr. Kristen Hefner, Assistant Professor in the Department of Criminal Justice, was awarded the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award. This award recognizes college students and members of the college community of noble character who have acted as humble servants to others by putting service of others before self-interest. The award is presented each year by more than 70 colleges and universities within the American South.

From top to bottom: The Criminal Justice Society meets with the Greenville PD, the Isle of Palms PD visit at the Citadel, and Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award recipient Kristen Hefner.
The faculty of the department of English, Fine Arts, and Communications had a busy semester in teaching, scholarship, and service.

In January, Alyson Eggleston led an interesting and innovative workshop on active, experience-based learning for The Citadel’s Center for Excellence and Innovation in Teaching, Learning, and Distance Education. Dr. Eggleston also served as chair of The Citadel Awards Committee and was named to Provost’s Faculty Evaluation Taskforce.


Tom Horan published the article “State Conspiracies in Aldous Huxley’s Brave New World” in the edited collection *Critical Insights: Conspiracies*, published by Salem Press.


Dr. Scott Lucas published an essay in the journal *Spenser Studies* and had a paper accepted for the Society for Renaissance Studies Conference in Norwich, England. Owing to the coronavirus pandemic, he has had to delay presenting the paper until 2021.

Dr. Katja Pilhuj joined with members of the Daniel Library to present a poetry slam, featuring the poetry of many of our Citadel cadets. Over 70 Citadel students came to Daniel Library to read their verse and to listen to the poetry of others. English, Fine Arts, and Communications faculty members Dr. Licia Hendriks and Dr. Sean Heuston served as judges at the competition.

From top to bottom: Licia Hendriks and Sean Heuston with the cadets who read their poetry at the Poetry Slam, Dept. Head Scott Lucas with M.A.T. in English student Mary Kroeger, at her induction into the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, and *Critical Insights: Conspiracies*. 


Dr. Lauren Rule Maxwell spoke at the Modern Language Association’s annual conference as part of a roundtable discussion of Margaret Atwood’s *The Testaments*. In her role as Vice President of the Margaret Atwood Society, Dr. Maxwell also presided over the executive board meeting of the Atwood Society at the MLA conference. Professor Maxwell’s outstanding work on the novelist Margaret Atwood has resulted in her winning a book contract from the Modern Language Association for a new book to be titled *Approaches to Teaching the Works of Margaret Atwood*. Here at The Citadel, Professor Maxwell worked with the Black History Month Committee to present a very successful poetry workshop featuring Charleston’s Poet Laureate Marcus Amaker. Citadel students and K-12 students from surrounding schools alike enthusiastically took part in the event.

Fine Arts Director Tiffany Silverman was recently named to the Board of Trustees for the Charleston Museum. Professor Silverman also worked tirelessly to bring the famous Broadway play *Biloxi Blues* to The Citadel campus. The Covid-19 pandemic has postponed presentation of the play, but The Citadel hopes to put it on for cadets and the public alike once it is safe to do so.

Dr. Tom Thompson volunteered his time this semester as the College Director for the South Carolina Council of Teachers of English. Dr. Thompson took part in the SCCTE board meeting earlier this month, and he helped to review proposals for its annual conference, which was held this year in Myrtle Beach.

From top to bottom: The Spring 2020 Virtual EFAC Senior Recognition & Awards, Lauren Rule Maxwell with the famous novelist Margaret Atwood, and scenes from the Black History Month poetry workshop with Charleston’s Poet Laureate Marcus Amaker.
Dr. Michael Livingston's most recent book, *Medieval Warfare: A Reader* (University of Toronto Press, 2019), which he co-edited with Kelly DeVries, the former Mark Clark Chair of History, won a 2020 Distinguished Book Prize from the Society for Military History. This is his second time being awarded this prize, making him one of just a few people who have been awarded twice. Dr. David Preston has also won this award, and the Citadel may be the only institution in the country with three awards.

This Spring marked the beginning of Dr. Livingston's role as a member of the Board of Governors for the South Carolina Academy of Authors.

This summer, Dr. Livingston will release an Audible-exclusive novel, SEABORN, which is the first in a trilogy of fantasy novels.

This summer will also see two of Dr. Livingston's articles hit the popular audience shelves. His reconstruction of the Battle of Brunanburh, based on the groundbreaking archaeology happening on his theorized site, will be the cover story in the summer issue of *Medieval Warfare Magazine*. Dr. Livingston's reconstruction of the Battle of Pydna, co-authored with Myke Cole, will appear in the summer issue of *Ancient Warfare Magazine*.

Dr. Livingston may have two academic books this fall as well, if the coronavirus pandemic does not disrupt publishing production. One is a popular guidebook to the famous Battle of Hastings; the other is a scholarly edition of a 15th-century guide to medieval warfare.

Dr. Michael Livingston recently contracted to write a popular history of the Battle of Crécy for Osprey/Bloomsbury Press. He will be on sabbatical in Spring 2021 to work on a number of important scholarly projects.

Last but certainly not least, the English, Fine Arts, and Communications department bids a fond farewell to COL James S. Leonard, a member of our department since 1983. Dr. Leonard was instrumental in establishing the English M.A. program the EFAC department shares with the College of Charleston, and he served two terms as head of the Department of English. For his many years of service to The Citadel and for his excellent work as a scholar of American literature, The Citadel awarded Dr. Leonard emeritus status on the occasion of his retirement.

From top to bottom: More scenes from the Black History Month poetry workshop with Charleston's Poet Laureate Marcus Amaker, former English Professor Col. James Rembert reads from his memoirs at Daniel Library, and EFAC Department Head Scott Lucas with English alumnus Ben Baroody '01 at Col. Rembert's talk.
Dr. Alison Smith’s chapter, “Cultivating Non-Violence: Micro-Pilgrimage as a Pathway to Peace,” was published in the volume Peace Journeys: A New Direction in Religious Tourism and Pilgrimage Research edited by Ian S. McIntosh, Nour Farra Haddad and Dane Munro (Cambridge Scholars, 2020). In late February, she was a participant/observer at La Festa do Queixo in Arzúa, Spain, in conjunction with her research for a forthcoming book on women and pilgrimage. For the second year in a row, she was invited to speak at the annual meeting of the American Pilgrims on the Camino, held at Zephyr Cove, Lake Tahoe, Nevada from March 12-15. Dr. Smith co-presented at APOC with Professor Sharenda Barlar of Wheaton College on “Saint James, Saint Brendan, and the Celtic Camino.”

**Chinese New Year Dinner**

The Chinese Program, with the support from the Project Global Office, hosted a celebration dinner for the Chinese New Year on February 15, 2020 at the Program Director Dr. Tsai’s apartment. At this dinner, students enjoyed authentic Chinese food, learned about Chinese New Year traditions and blessing, and learned to make dumplings – a symbol of wealth and prosperity due to its resemblance to gold ingots. It was a great opportunity for students to experience the culture through food and cultural activities.

**The German Award**

The 2019 German Award was presented to Adam Niehoff, a double major in German and Political Science, for academic excellence and extraordinary extra-curricular service. The award was announced at a special Zoom event on May 6. Herzlichen Glückwunsch, Herr Niehoff!

From top to bottom: The Chinese Program, the Chinese New Year Celebration, February 15, 2020; Dr. Tsai explained the meaning of red envelopes and the blessing of “一二元复始,万象更新” (yī yuán fù shǐ, wàn xiàng gēng xīn: as the new year starts, everything is renewed); dumpling-making at the Chinese New Year Celebration.
Class of 2020 in German

The Citadel German Program celebrated its graduating majors and minors at a Zoom gathering on May 6th.

Congratulations to German majors Wesley Hoksbergen (B.A. German, Political Science; B.S. Business Administration) and Adam Niehoff (B.A. German and Political Science) and to German minors Chun-Jung Chu, Jacob Best, Brayden Hembree, and Phrommnachanok Ketphan. Herzlichen Glückwunsch und alles Gute für die Zukunft!

German Honor Society and German Club

This year our Kappa Mu chapter of Delta Phi Alpha, the National German Honor Society, initiated seven new members: Cameron Thomas, Gavin Kingman, Prom Ketphan, Nicole Spohn, Mathew Horvath—not pictured: Robert Clement and Samuel Little. This year’s president was Wesley Hoksbergen.

German Club met fortnightly under the leadership of Kanzler Robert Arnett and Vize Kanzlerin Lily Layden, until the shift to remote instruction in March.

4th Annual German-American Business Summit

The Citadel’s German Program and Career Center partnered with the College of Charleston on the 4th annual German-American Business Summit at the Gaillard Center on February 5th, 2020. Citadel students, faculty, and deans attended the Career and Internship Expo, a keynote presentation from Ruth Gratzke, Senior Vice President for Smart Infrastructure with Siemens USA., and panels on cyber security and big data in German-American Industry.

Events and Faculty Activities

Dr. Skow published her article, “German Crime Fiction by and for Women,” in January in Der Krimi-Tipp Sekundärliteratur.

Dr. Amy Emm presented her paper, “Death by German Woman in Karoline von Günderrode’s Hildgund and Zacharias Werner’s Attila,” at the first annual Southeastern Association of Cultural Studies Conference in Charlotte, NC, on February 7-8.

The German program hosted distinguished guest Klaus Becker, Honorary Consul of the Federal Republic of Germany to Western North Carolina, founder and Chairman of the NC Zeitgeist Foundation, and founder and CEO of the steel trading company NIROSTEEL, LLC. Mr. Becker gave a presentation on “Partners: Germany and the Carolinas - Reflections and Opportunities” on February 20th.

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On January 31, 2020, Dr. Felice F. Knight, Assistant Professor of History, served as moderator of "The Challenges of Interpreting Slavery in the 21st Century: A Roundtable Discussion and Display of Slave Artifacts." The event was hosted by The Friends of Daniel Library, The Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation Center, the Department of History at The Citadel, and the members of The Citadel's 2020 Black History Month Committee. It featured a display of select items from local Charleston resident George Bryant's collection of more than 100 authentic artifacts from the transatlantic slave trade and a roundtable discussion on the challenges of interpreting slavery in the 21st century, led by local scholars and experts. Participants in the roundtable discussion included Mr. George Bryant; Dr. Shannon Eaves, Assistant Professor of History and Board Member for the Center for the Study of Slavery at The College of Charleston; and Mr. Shawn Halifax, Cultural History Interpretation Coordinator for the Charleston County Parks & Recreation Commission. The event drew record numbers of Citadel cadets, graduate students, faculty and staff, and members of the community.

On February 3, 2020, Dr. Felice F. Knight, Assistant Professor of History, led a discussion following a screening of the film *Jail, No Bail* at the Mt. Pleasant Regional Library. *Jail, No Bail* pays tribute to the 50th anniversary of the Rock Hill sit-in and the "Friendship Nine" who introduced a new protest strategy and turned the tables on the establishment, while at the same time reinvigorating the Civil Rights movement nationally. The event was sponsored by the ETV Endowment of South Carolina and the South Carolina ETV.

On February 19, 2020, Dr. Felice F. Knight was the keynote speaker at the U.S. Department of State's 2020 African American History Month Celebration at the Federal Complex in Charleston, South Carolina. The theme of the celebration was "African Americans and the Vote." Dr. Knight spoke on the long history of the struggle for black voting rights—a struggle that began after the American Revolution and continues today.

From top to bottom: Slavery Roundtable participants Shannon Eaves, Felice Knight, Shawn Halifax, and George Bryant; Slavery Roundtable discussion; Cadets observing artifacts.
Students in Mayor Joseph P. Riley’s class “Charleston, South Carolina, and National Politics” were offered a front-row seat to the 2020 presidential election. Students visited with a stellar cast of political strategists, campaign representatives, journalists, and voter registration activists, including former Second Lady Dr. Jill Biden and CNN political analyst Bakari Sellers. The class lost no momentum with the switch to online teaching. Mayor Riley shared his personal experiences working with seven U.S. Presidents and the students reflected on the experiences, people, and ideas that have shaped their political values. Political Science major Cameron Thomakos reflected the sentiments of many of his classmates in calling the course “the most interesting and thought-provoking class” he has taken. Several other students reported that the class had encouraged them to rethink their aversion to politics and to consider the possibilities of service through public office. Riley is the Joseph P. Riley Endowed Chair of American Government and Public Policy. The course is co-taught by Kerry Taylor, Associate Professor of History.

History professor Kerry Taylor was among this year’s recipients of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Portrait Awards for community service. During a January 23rd program at the Charleston Music Hall, Taylor was honored for his leadership of the South Carolina Poor People’s Campaign and the Charleston Alliance for Fair Employment, as well as his efforts to commemorate the surviving leaders of the 1969 Charleston hospital strike.

Over the past year, Daniel Wilkes, a junior with a double major in History and Political Science, has served as a research assistant for former Mayor Joseph P. Riley. This summer Dan will again assist the Mayor—who is working on a memoir—as part of a History Department internship.

The Citadel’s growing Campus Democrats Club remained active this semester, especially before the historic February 29th Democratic Primary. Dozens of cadets campaigned for their favored candidates, assisted at campaign events, and registered voters. While the pandemic cut short their campus activities, many of the club students have remained active in local and national Democratic Party politics.

From top to bottom: Dr. Jill Biden speaks to students in “Charleston, South Carolina, and National Politics”, a special presentation by CNN political analyst Bakari Sellers, and Cadet Keyshawn Gaseey, a member of The Citadel College Democrats, helped kick off a February 28 Town Hall hosted by Mayor Pete Buttigieg.
In November, Professor Keith N. Knapp, together with Professor Albert Dien, Professor emeritus of Stanford University, published their edited volume *The Cambridge History of China: Volume 2, The Six Dynasties, 220-589*. This massive volume is over 900 pages long. Its thirty chapters, which cover everything from politics, warfare, material culture, and poetry, were written by top specialists from America, Europe, and East Asia. Besides co-editing the volume, Professor Knapp contributed a chapter entitled "Confucian Learning and Influence." That same month, Professor Knapp presented a paper entitled "People are Special, Animals are Not: An Early Medieval Confucian's Views on the Difference between Humans and Non-Human Animals," at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, in San Diego, California.

Professor David Preston published an essay in a collection edited by two of the preeminent scholars of the first British Empire, Robert Olwell and James Vaughan. *Envisioning Empire: The New British World from 1763 to 1773* examines and reinterprets the pivotal period between the end of the Seven Years' War and the dawn of the American Revolution. Preston's essay, entitled "Varieties of Patriotism in the Postwar British Empire: The Strange Career of Charles Lee," examines the shifting notions of monarchical loyalty and republicanism in the 18th-century British world. Preston presents new archival evidence on the career of the British Army officer Charles Lee, who joined the American revolutionaries and became a major general in George Washington's Continental Army.

From top to bottom: Taylor on "Bounce Around Charleston," WCSC Live 5 News, Daniel Wilkes, research assistant for former Mayor Joseph P. Riley, and *Envisioning Empire: The New British World from 1763 to 1773.*
The Citadel and College of Charleston hosted the first annual conference of the Southeastern Immigration Studies Association (SEISA), which took place on February 20-22, 2020. The conference brought together approximately 100 scholars, students (including two Citadel cadets), activists, and leaders from across the country who work on immigration in the Southeastern United States. The conference began with the opening of “Ecos: Arte Urgente,” an art exhibit based on oral histories of Latino immigrants from the Lowcountry.

From left to right: Keynote speaker Marty Rosenbluth; SC Representative Neal Collins discusses efforts to make DACA students eligible for college in-state tuition; SEISA co-organizers Sophin Rodriguez, Univ. of Maryland, Nancy Aguirre, The Citadel, Marina Lopez, The Citadel, Will McCorde, College of Charleston, and Ben Roth, Univ. of South Carolina; Keynote speaker Marty Rosenbluth talks about his work and the conditions for immigrants held in Stewart Detention Center in Georgia; Panel sessions; A group of 6th graders from Meadow Glenn Middle School in Lexington, SC, participated in a poster session and talked about their interviews of immigrants in their community.
The conference panelists covered an impressive array of topics, including DACA, refugee and asylum policies, immigration law, advocacy efforts, and education. Panelists presented the latest information on immigration and conference participants collaborated on strategies for addressing the challenges in local and regional communities. The SEISA conference closed with a keynote address by immigration attorney and activist Marty Rosenbluth, who currently works on behalf of immigrants at Stewart Detention Center in Georgia. The conference was a great success, and planning has begun for the 2021 SEISA Conference, which will again take place at The Citadel. For more information, please contact Dr. Nancy Aguirre, President of SEISA, at naguirre@citadel.edu.

This spring, cadets Roman Kokowsky, Victoria Krone, Daniela Martínez, and Erich McPhear along with history graduate student Cappy Yarbrough served as docents, event planners, and promoters for the Citadel Oral History Program’s "Ecos: Arte Urgente"—a multi-media art exhibition on view at the Cannon Street Arts Center in February and March.

Inspired by the lives of undocumented Latinx immigrants in South Carolina, "Ecos" combines the power of art and storytelling to challenge the myths and xenophobia that characterize much of our public narrative regarding immigration. The exhibit and several well-attended public programs were made possible with the support of the Gaylord and Dorothy Donnelley Foundation.

From top to bottom: Otro Sur, Latin American Ensemble at the Cannon Street Arts Center; the Ecos Arte Urgente exhibit; Marina Lopez introduces Otro Sur; and opening night of Ecos Arte Urgente at the Cannon Street Arts Center.
Citadel Graduate Students Sweep Top Honors at The National Youth At-Risk Conference

Student engagement is an important component in developing principled leaders and can be promoted through professional development and scholarship. Three Citadel graduate students in the School Psychology program – Nathan Adams, Sierra Heyward, Ashley Burton- and one Community Engagement Fellow at the Krause Center, Mike Akers, presented their intervention program evaluation studies at The 2020 National Youth At-Risk Conference in Savannah, Georgia.

The National Youth At-Risk Conference trains adults who serve youth to create safe, healthy, caring, and intellectually empowering educational environments that foster the well-being of all children and adolescents. This year’s convention focused on five different areas of content: Academic Achievement & Leadership, Social & Emotional Skills, Safety & Violence Prevention, Mental & Physical Health, and Family & Community Engagement.

A panel of judges reviewed all research posters and awarded Nathan and Mike 2nd place for their work, “The Impact of a Heroism-Themed Outreach with Title I Elementary Students” (Adams, Akers, Fernald, & Saylor, 2020). Top honors and a 1st place finish were given to Sierra and Ashley for their research on a Summer Reading Intervention with Elementary Students (Heyward, Burton, Saylor, Fernald, & Tennessee, 2020). Their award-winning research can be viewed on the SLCE website.

From top to bottom: Class trip to Riverbanks Zoo & Gardens in Columbia, SC for Psychology’s Comparative Cognition course, Sierra Heyward and Ashley Burton present at The National Youth At-Risk Conference, and Nathan Adams and Mike Akers at The National Youth At-Risk Conference.
On Friday, April 17, the Department of Psychology held the undergraduate annual Senior “Banquet” and Awards Ceremony via ZOOM. All graduates, their families, faculty, and friends were invited to participate. Those recognized for their achievements were:

Cecilia Gibson – presented with the D. Oliver Bowman Award for the most outstanding undergraduate student in Psychology

Devin Kirscht – presented with the Al Finch Research Award in recognition of outstanding research contributions

Jesse Brooks and Blakely Epps - presented with the Conway Saylor Service Award in recognition of outstanding service contributions

Huazhou Ye – presented with the Top Honor Award in recognition of the highest GPA in the senior class.

The School Psychology Graduate Program annually awards its most outstanding graduate with the Aline M. Mahan Award. This year the recipient of this prestigious award went to Shaniqua L. Crews.

The Psychology Clinical Counseling Graduate Program also recognizes its most outstanding student with the J. Patrick Leverett Award. This year there were two recipients, John P. Karabees and Lauren Adams-Teal.

From top to bottom: Jesse Brooks (USN, Psychology) receives a Baker Veteran Fellowship; rising Psychology senior, Carleton Baliff, enjoys feeding the lorikeets at Riverbanks during the class trip; students observe animal training sessions during a class trip to Charles Towne Landing’s Animal Forest for Psychology’s Comparative Cognition course; and rising Psychology sophomore, Chayse McGaha, enjoys feeding the lorikeets at Riverbanks during the class trip.